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“Malicious Wounding Arrest”

On September 14, 2014 at approximately 1:45 a.m., officers of the Morgantown Police Department responded to 444 Chestnut Street for a reported Malicious Wounding. When officers arrived on scene, they found that the victim, an employee of “Fat Daddy’s, had been stuck in the face with a beer bottle or a glass of some sort causing injuries. The victim was transported to Ruby Memorial Hospital by other employees where he was treated for his wounds which included lacerations to the face and a chipped tooth.

The suspect fled the scene prior to the officers’ arrival.

While the officers were on scene at 444 Chestnut Street a vehicle was traveling the wrong way on Reid Street and crashed into a dumpster. The driver of the vehicle appeared to be under the influence at the time of the crash and failed field sobriety tests. The driver was transported to Ruby Memorial Hospital where a blood sample was taken and while at the hospital the victim of the Malicious Wounding at 444 Chestnut Street positively identified the individual as the person that struck and injured him.

The suspect in both incidents was identified as Rodney Fitzgerald **CALLENS**, 21 years of age of Morgantown. **CALLENS** was charged with Malicious Wounding and DUI. **CALLEN** was booked into the North Central Regional Jail awaiting arraignment.

The Morgantown Police Department is committed to its goal of eliminating crime in our city. Citizens are encouraged to become a **“Partner in Policing”**, by reporting suspected criminal activity to Morgantown Police Department Switchboard at (304) 284-7522. If you need immediate Police attention or a crime is in progress call 911.

Ed Preston
Chief of Police